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In the Application of: : Docket No.: 5173-0006
MICHAEL J. SCOTT et al. : Date: September 19, 2005
Serial No.: 10/074,990 : Group Art Unit: 1761
Filing Date: 13 February 2002 : Examiner: R. Alexander

Title: ELECTRIC BEVERAGE MAKER

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RESPONSE and AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Dear Sir/Madam:

This communication is in response to the Final Office Action of 6/20/2005, with a period of response set to expire on 9/20/2005. Claims 1-38 and 41-43 are pending. Claims 1-9, 11-21, 23, and 25-38 are rejected, claims 41-43 are allowed, and claims 10, 22 and 24 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants thank the Examiner for his allowance and conditional allowance of the aforesaid claims.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this response.